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It is more or less safe to predict that the Vermont legislature will quit when the groundhog's prophecy comes true.

The movement for placing a musical instrument in every home does not, apparently, take into consideration the family cat and the babies.

The Vermont sheriffs seem to have been able to hold their convention in Barre without having Burlington kick over the traces during the time.

Major General Enoch Crowder deserves his reappointment as judge advocate general of the United States army. He was not called upon to fight the Germans but his work on the directing end of the draft was very important and, in the main, was well carried out.

At least one hotel in Vermont has disproven the contention that the hotel business in Vermont is a poor proposition in winter, for it has been compelled to open its "annek" which had been closed since the end of last summer's season. That hotel is at Brandon.

A 14-year-old boy of Colebrook, N. H., confesses that he killed 30 cows in the vicinity of his home just "for the fun" of seeing their death agonies after he had struck them in the head with a hammer. There is work laid out for some society to endeavor to ward off that boy's mentality back into shape.

That one-tenth of the population of the United States which remains un-naturalized makes quite a serious problem to handle. The government at Washington might help to solve the problem by starting a strong and well-balanced propaganda toward encouraging the aliens to come into the fold.

At the latest report from Germany, ex-Kaiser Wilhelm had not extended his felicitations to President Ebert of the German republic. Probably Ebert feels that he can get along very well without receiving congratulation from such a source and at such a time when the convictions of the German people are not fully settled.

If Burlington should become the "port" for the new barge terminal—the proposed barge terminal—Burlington might soon become a second Hamburg; that is, as Hamburg is to Germany, so would Burlington be to northern New England. Therefore, Burlington ought to expect to contribute materially toward the advancement of the project.

That threatened labor shortage, over which the department of labor in Washington is said to be exercised, does not cause a little bit of apprehension in sections where returning soldiers and sailors are fairly over-running the towns. There are still more than two million men in army and navy, who have not been demobilized yet.

The little band of American, British and Russian troops in the Archangel region of Russia is giving a good account of itself in standing off a much larger force of Russian bolsheviks and, at the same time, demonstrating how much better an organized fighting machine can do than a force superior in number but poorly organized. In football parlance it would be termed as a triumph of brains over brawn, with a considerable admixture of courage with the brains.

Quite a bit of commotion has been stirred up in St. Johnsbury over a proposal to name a woman as a member of the school board; yet such a change is inevitable with the granting of the ballot to women. It can be said, too, that some women would make very valuable additions to the school boards in many a Vermont community. Moreover, it is possible that they may have as much executive ability as some of the men who are chosen for the duty of directing the public schools.

The action of a large banking house in New York in placing a loan in Belgium which in pre-war times would have been considered a stupendous amount points strongly to the belief that the United States is the banking nation of the world at the present time and is likely to continue to be for a long time, if not permanently. Just as soon as the United States government began to slow down in its loans to foreign governments, private banking institutions stepped in to increase the dependence of other nations on the United States.

Timberland owners in this vicinity will be pleased to learn that a lookout is to be established on Spruce mountain in the town of Plainfield during the coming season, for it will mean that forest fires should be detected immediately so that the fires can be fought before they have gained much headway. Spruce mountain overlooks a wide territory, being one of the highest and most conspicuous peaks east of Camel's Hump. Those who get out of the valley of Barre can readily recognize Spruce mountain because it rears itself in a sharp cone formation, in

contrast to the more or less rambling and blunt-pointed elevations in the vicinity.

Asking for regulation of the sale of coal in Massachusetts, a legislator of that state avers that the retail dealers of coal in Massachusetts "are good men but they have no reputation." Adding, "I could get a large petition at the present time to hang any one of them." Turning from the factious to the serious side, the legislator asserts that 24 per cent of every ton of coal sold in Massachusetts is "stone, rock, granite, slate or dust." It is a sorry situation if such is the case, but the best solution is, we believe, to go to the source of the deception and prevent the sending of any but inflammable coal from the mines. In that case it is, of course, the duty of the federal government to act.

Announcement by the new German government that Von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to the United States, will not be a German delegate to the peace conference should not be taken as an indication of deference to the wishes of the allies and particularly to the United States but it should probably be taken to indicate that the wily German mind has seen that Von Bernstorff would prejudice the cause of Germany at the very outset because of the marked aversion which the allies have to him because of his reprehensible conduct while Germany's official representative in the United States. The German government realizes that its chances would be jeopardized by the mere announcement that Von Bernstorff was to be a delegate; hence the haste to deny the current reports.

THE BIG EVENTS IN PARIS.

The children of to-day will tell with a touch of pride half a century hence how they were living when the great treaty of Paris was signed in 1919 and they will wish to have some lasting memories of the great historic event so that they can tell to their children and their grandchildren some of the more intimate details of the great world transaction. Therefore, it would behoove them to pay attention to the daily cable reports which are coming from the seat of the congress in Paris. It may seem like dry reading for the youngsters to try to get some definite ideas out of the discussions which are taking place among the emissaries of the world powers but as the events unfold themselves there is bound to be a great deal of valuable information developing out of those discussions. History is in the making—great and very important history at that. The lighter reading and the movies and the playing ought to give way now and then to a careful perusal of the descriptions being cabled from Paris. Don't overlook the great event which is taking place in Paris!

CUT OFF GERMAN RETREAT.

British Warship Laid Mines After the Battle of Jutland.

Lawford, England, Feb. 14.—The fact that one British warship penetrated the guard patrol of the German high seas' fleet after the battle of Jutland and laid mines to cut off their retreat has just been disclosed.

The information became public through the presentation to a Lawford church of a flag of the warship Abdiel, of 1,500 tons and a speed of 40 knots. The inscription accompanying the flag testifies that the Abdiel "slipped through the redoubled guards of patrols on the night of the battle of Jutland, May 31-June 1, 1916, and laid a great series of mines close to the German coast, blocking the entrance of their retreating ships into the harbor. 'This dangerous night's work,' adds the inscription, 'was completely carried out and the havoc among the German ships was so great that their crews mutilated and refused to go out again.' The white ensign presented to the church was flown by the Abdiel in the Jutland battle.

WORLD-WIDE UPRISING.

Was One of the Plans of Karl Radek, Russian Bolshevik Agent.

Copenhagen, Thursday, Feb. 13.—Papers and letters found in the home of Karl Radek, the Russian bolshevik emissary, whose arrest by the Berlin police was announced yesterday, indicated that he was planning a Spartacan uprising in March, not only in Berlin, but the entire country, according to Berlin dispatches received here.

A bolshevik army was planning to attack the east frontier at the date fixed for the uprising, it is said. Radek is reported to have designed himself frequently in a German officer's uniform.

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WILLIAMSTOWN

A large audience responded to the invitation of the Epworth league to come to grange hall last evening, to listen to the recital of "My Experience Over There" by Everett Waldo, lately returned from service overseas. The band, under the direction of Clinton A. Cram, and ably assisted by Messrs. Milne, Trombly and Susana of Barre, played the opening selections, which were followed by a song without accompaniment by Warren Waldo, president of the league. In giving his experience from the time of enlistment till safe back in the U. S., the speaker of the evening made no attempt at oratory, but gave a simple account of the varying incidents that he had witnessed, and was listened to with close attention by the audience. A cornet solo by Warren Waldo, with Miss Isabel Kynoch as accompanist, and a song by Rev. John Robinson, who was accompanied by Mrs. Nina Jewett, were next listened to, after which the speaker again took the stand and invited any one to ask questions concerning anything not understood or on which further information was requested. Selections by the band, closing with "America," was the signal for the breaking up of a very pleasant and instructive meeting.

Congregational Church, Sunday, Feb. 15.—Morning worship at 10:45; sermon subject, "The Greater War: a Challenge!" Men invited. Sunday school at noon. Union service at 7:30 p. m. in the Methodist church. Christian Endeavor on Tuesday evening at 7:30.

G. F. McAllister Co. is carrying a load of potatoes to-day for shipment to Burlington, and paying 90 cents per bushel at car.

Seaman Dwight Erskine, who left New York Dec. 6 for Queenstown, Ireland, was in a collision on the 16th off Cardiff, Wales, when the U. S. S. Lake Erie collided with the Hazel Blanche, losing all his belongings except the clothes in which he was dressed. On Feb. 21 he wrote his people here and was still at Cardiff at the time.

"Why Put a Headlight on a Locomotive? or the Value of Prophecy." Don't forget this free lecture by Evangelist F. S. Hartwell at Odd Fellows' hall, Williamstown, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 16, at 2:30 prompt.

WHERE SOLDIERS ARE RETAINED.

Are Distributed Among Educational Institutions and in Industries All Over Country.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 14.—Some misapprehension exists about the retaining given war disabled men, there being a prevalent idea that this is done in the "reconstruction hospitals."

The reconstruction hospitals are maintained by the medical department of the army, where men who have suffered injuries necessitating a long course of treatment, are given that treatment which will eventually bring them back to health and strength. In these reconstruction hospitals sometimes the men are given such work as basketry, weaving and the like. These occupations are often alluded to by disabled soldiers with disgust and scorn, because they have the mistaken notion that the disabled men are being taught these things as a means of livelihood, when such is not the case at all. If a man has a set of stiffened fingers, basketry is an ideal exercise to bring back into function those disused muscles; and the same with weaving and many other activities which apparently have no commercial value whatever.

But the re-education which the government offers the disabled men is nothing like what is given in the reconstruction hospitals. This education is not available until after the man has been discharged. The federal board for vocational education is in charge of this training and the man is assigned to some appropriate technical institution, college, university, mechanical school, agricultural school, or in some instances placed directly in the shops for instruction. He is given a support allowance of \$65 a month, and his dependents cared for. When he has finished his course a position is found for him, and he is supervised for a while until he demonstrates that he can earn his wages and is a competent and skilled workman. The federal board for vocational education at Washington is desirous of getting in touch with all war disabled men.

GIVING AID UNDER HARDSHIPS.

American Red Cross Having Difficulties in Serbia.

Dedeagatch, Bulgaria, via London, Feb. 13 (Correspondence of the Associated

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Press.—The extreme difficulty of transport through Serbia and the ruinous condition of the country's railways as a result of wanton destruction wrought by Bulgarians and Austrians in their forced retreat, is strikingly shown by the fact that the American Red Cross, in order to get relief supplies to the Nish section, has had to route its shipments by rail east from Saloniki to Dedeagatch, then north to Adrianople, then west to Sofia and finally across the Bulgarian border to Piroet, a total distance of more than 800 miles.

The regular railroad route north from Saloniki to Nish is only about 275 miles and can be traveled in ordinary circumstances in 24 hours. Red Cross supplies have taken 10 days to reach their destination.

From Uskub to Belgrade, nearly 300

miles, the railroad at points is wholly destroyed and dozens of bridges and tunnels are in ruins. It is estimated that the work of reconstruction will require more than a year.

Two hundred and nineteen three-ton motor trucks, on a recent trip to Nish, arrived with only 30 tons of supplies.

The allied military authorities have ceased trying to reach northern Serbia from Saloniki and the south, and are sending people and supplies by ship to Fiume, on the Adriatic. The food and clothing situation in northern Serbia is reported to be very acute. Ordinary peasants' working dress is said to cost 1,200 francs and a cake of soap 30 francs. The American Red Cross is sending large quantities of food, clothing and medical supplies south through Fiume.


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